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August 31, 2005

Frank R. Ellerbe, III, Esquire
Robinson, McFadden & Moore, P.C.
Post Office Box 944
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Re: Docket No. 2004-280-C – Application of Time Warner Cable Information Services (South Carolina), LLC, d/b/a Time Warner Cable to Amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Interexchange and Local Voice Services in Services Areas of Certain Incumbent Carriers who Currently have a Rural Exemption

Dear Mr. Ellerbe:

I am writing you to ask your assistance in obtaining information that would be helpful to the Commission in evaluating a potential staff recusal regarding the above-referenced docket. Doug Pratt, a telecommunications advisor to the Commission, is married to Sharon Pratt. Mrs. Pratt is employed with the "High Speed Data Group" of a Time Warner entity in Columbia. As I understand it, Mrs. Pratt's work involves being a liaison between multi-tenant business & commercial clients and the construction operation division of her employer regarding agreements for the installation of business class high speed data services. She does not work for the entity responsible for digital phone-only service, nor is digital phone service currently offered to the business class clients she works with. In some instances, digital phone service may be included with high speed data in multi-dwelling unit applications.

The Commission is evaluating whether or not Mr. Pratt is subject to recusal in this proceeding pursuant to the Code of Judicial Conduct. In order to more accurately make that determination, it would be helpful to know the corporate relationship between Time Warner Cable Information Services (SC), LLC and the entity Ms. Pratt works for. Once that information is provided to the Commission and to the parties in this docket, the Commission would appreciate hearing from the parties regarding whether they consider Mr. Pratt's wife's employment to be a circumstance that causes Mr. Pratt to be subject to disqualification in this

matter, and if so, whether the parties wish to waive any such disqualification. By copy of this letter, I am informing them of this issue and of my request.

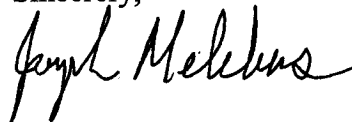
Ms. Pratt has informed Mr. Pratt that a request for such information can be made to the following contact:

Rachel Mahony
Director of People Relations
Time Warner Cable
803-251-5391
rachel.mahoney@twcable.com

As you are counsel to the Time Warner entity in the above docket, we considered it most appropriate to make the request to you, with notice to the other parties in the matter, and ask that you seek the information requested by the Commission.

Thank you for your expected assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph M. Melchers".

Joseph M. Melchers
Chief Counsel

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cc: Margaret M. Fox, Esquire
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